

Minutes of the CCR-FYI Steering Committee (SC) Meeting

November 18, 2004, Thursday 12:00-1:00 pm

Bethesda: Building 37, Rm 4041, 301-435-7427 (phone: 301-402-9194)

Frederick: Building 549/Conf Rm B (700-848-1113) (phone: 301-846-5864)

The meeting was called to order.

In attendance were:

Bethesda- Val Bliskovsky, Sohrab Bodaghi, Jeffrey Chiang, Swati Choksi, Derrick Cox, Kathleen Dohoney, Cem Elbi, Martin Guimond, Sarah Kolla, Margaret Pratt, Kwang Suh, Jonathan Wiest.

Frederick- Maja Bumke, Kevin Chang, Ramalakshmi Darbha, Arindam Dhar, Humcha Hariprakash, Nicole LaRonde-LeBlanc, Susan Lindtner, Melissa Maderia, Anil Shanker

Excused absences – Chandravanu Dash, Robert Dean, Melinda Merchant, Arti Patel

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1) Subcommittee Reports

a. Retreat Subcommittee (Derrick Cox, Susan Lindtner & Kevin Chang)

The retreat will be Feb 28-March 2 of 2005 at the Marriott in Williamsburg, VA. The abstract deadline is Dec. 13, 2004 and the registration deadline is Jan. 14, 2005. Dr. Rita Colwell, Dr. Margaret Foti, Dr. Andrew von Eschenbach, and Dr. Carl Barrett have been invited to speak.

Susan distributed a proposed agenda. (included at end of minutes)

1. Skills for the Jobseekers (Susan Lindtner): Tom Kotsopoulos, Recruitment Manager for Apotex in Toronto has agreed to come and host this session. Dave Jensen from Science's NextWave has been invited to join this panel, as has Debbie Fisher.
2. Career Workshop (Kwang Suh.): All speakers are confirmed and include Dr. Norman Coleman (Lab Chief, Radiation Oncology Branch, NIH. Transitioned from academia to government), Dr. Stefan Ambs (Young PI in NCI. Transitioned from industry to government), and Dr. Robert Balderas (A VP at BD-Bioscience-Pharmingen). The possibility of inviting a fourth person to sit on this panel was suggested, but this would require a shortening of time available for everyone. Finalization of this panel was tabled until next time.

The question of expenses for panelists and speakers was brought up. Jonathan reported that the usual honorarium for an invited speaker is \$200 plus payment of travel and lodging expenses. Jonathan gave the example that if a certain individual from out of the area, who is under NIH contract, comes for the Survival Skills workshop, these costs may be different.

3. International Affairs (Maja Bumke & Anil Shanker): There has been some difficulty getting embassies to respond to requests for contact or information. It was suggested that the topic of “opportunities for scientists transitioning back to their home countries” might elicit more interest from embassy staff. Jeffrey Chiang offered to contact someone from the Chinese embassy regarding the retreat. Ideas regarding incentives for embassy personnel to attend the retreat and sit on the panel were discussed.
4. Mentorship (Lakshmi Darbha): Nominations for panel members are being sought. It was suggested that we could ask individuals recognized by NCI as outstanding mentors, and that these individuals from the past 2-3 years are listed on the NCI website.
5. Grantsmanship (Melissa Maderia): TBD

Derrick Cox reported that we have four speakers. Dr. Kandel is unable to come and we still need two more speakers. We are hoping to find research-oriented Nobel laureates who can come. Derrick thanked everyone for their emails and said suggestions include Leland Hartwell, Richard Axel, and Linda Buck. Derrick noted that he was only looking at Nobel winners since 1995.

A request for volunteers to chair sessions was made and the following individuals responded to the call:

- Pharmacology, Chemistry and Virology – Melissa Maderia, Ramalakshmi Darbha, and Humcha Hariprakasha
- Carcinogenesis, Cancer Models, Epidemiology, and Cancer Prevention (I) – Martin Guimond
- Carcinogenesis, Cancer Models, Epidemiology, and Cancer Prevention (II) – Arindam Dhar
- Immunology and Genetics – Jeffrey Chiang and Anil Shanker
- Molecular and Cell Biology (I & II) – Cem Elbi and Chandravanu Dash
- Genomics, Proteomics, Bioinformatics and Clinical and Translational Research – Robert Dean, Melinda Merchant, and Kwang Suh
- Signal Transduction and Gene Transcription – Swati Choksi

b) Publicity/ Social subcommittee

Cem suggested that it was time we started considering a holiday party. Please send party ideas to Kwang (suhk@mail.nih.gov). Coordinators will be Melissa

in Frederick and Kwang in Bethesda. We welcome your willingness to volunteer your home as a potential location!

2) Other business

FELCOM – No representative in attendance at this meeting.

Membership list – Is currently being revised. Kwang will send out an e-mail to individuals on the list who have not been active for some time to determine if they are still at NIH and interested in contributing to the SC. Further discussion of individuals will occur via e-mail.

Also to be discussed by e-mail is a question recently asked regarding whether we should have available a certificate for those of us who serve on the SC.

3) Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Pratt
Ramalakshmi Darbha
CCR-FYI Secretaries
November 26, 2004

Fellows and Young Investigators Retreat 2005

Agenda 11.10.04

Monday, February 28, 2005

- 3:00 pm Registration
- 5:00 pm **Plenary Session I**
Opening Remarks and CCR Overview
- 5:15 pm **Dr. Andrew von Eschenbach**
- 6:15 pm Dinner
- 7:30 pm **Plenary Session II**
NPA and CCR-FYI Open Forum
- 8:00 pm **Break**
- 8:15 pm **Concurrent Workshop I**
1. **Career workshop panel**
 2. **Grantsmanship**
- 9:30 pm Informal Mixer
Poster Session I Setup
Mentored Lunch sign-up

Tuesday, March 1, 2005

- 7:00 am Continental Breakfast
Registration Open
- 8:00 am **Plenary Session III**
Keynote Speaker II
- 9:00 am Break
- 9:15 am **Concurrent Workshop II**
1. Middle-Aged and Still Training
 2. International Affairs
- 10:30 am **Poster Session I**
1. Pharmacology and Chemistry and virology
 2. Carcinogenesis, Cancer Models, Epidemiology and Cancer Prevention
 3. Immunology and Genetics
 4. Molecular and Cell Biology (I)
- 12:00 pm Mentored Lunch and Oral Presentation 1 Setup
- 1:30 pm **Plenary Session IV**
Dr. Margaret Foti
- 2:30 pm Break

2:45pm

Concurrent Oral Presentations I

1. Pharmacology, Chemistry and Virology
2. Carcinogenesis, Cancer Models, Epidemiology and Cancer Prevention (I)
3. Immunology and Genetics
4. Molecular and Cell Biology (I)

4:30 pm

Plenary Session V

Dr. Carl Barrett

5:30 pm

Office of the Director Address to CCR/Open Questions

6:00 pm

Dinner
Poster Session II Set up

7:30 pm

Poster Session II

5. Molecular and Cell Biology (I)
6. Genomics, Proteomics, Bioinformatics
7. Clinical and Translational Research
8. Signal Transduction and Gene Transcription
9. Carcinogenesis, Cancer Models, Epidemiology, and Cancer Prevention

Wednesday, March 2, 2005

7:00 am

Continental Breakfast
Registration Open

8:00 am

**Plenary Session VI
Keynote Speaker V**

9:00 am

Break

9:15 am

Concurrent Oral Presentation II

5. Molecular and Cell Biology (II)
6. Genomics, Proteomics, Bioinformatics and Clinical and Translational Research Combined
7. Signal Transduction and Gene Transcription
8. Carcinogenesis, Cancer Models, Epidemiology and Cancer Prevention (II)

10:45 am

Break

11:00am

Concurrent workshops:

1. Skills for the Jobseekers
2. Mentorship

12:00 pm	Lunch and awards
1:30 pm	Plenary Session VII Keynote Speaker VI
2:30 pm	Closing